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REWARD OFFERED FOR COYOTE POACHING IN GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK

An adult male coyote was shot and killed in Grand Teton National Park, along the Kelly Road near Mormon Row, on April 29, 2003. Through the "Park Watch" program, a reward of \$500 is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons involved in this wildlife poaching. To report any information regarding this incident, call the park's Law Enforcement Specialist Office at 307/739-3327.

The healthy, male coyote was radio-collared in 1998. As a primary study animal, it provided a wealth of valuable research information to biologists. In addition to its research benefits, park visitors regularly watched and photographed this coyote from the roadside, enjoying the opportunity to observe a wild canine in its natural setting.

Killing wildlife in a national park is a federal offense. Federal court prosecution for wildlife poaching carries significant penalties, which include imprisonment, fines, seizure of equipment and restitution for damage to, or loss of, property and resources.

Anyone, who may have been on the Kelly Road in the vicinity of Mormon Row on April 29th, is requested to call the park with information that might be helpful to this investigation.

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